Ad Hoc Natural Gas Vehicle Industry Infrastructure Working Group



Winter 2000 Meeting Rajeana Gable, Managing Director

Winter NGV-IWG Meeting March 2 and 3, 2000

Focus of this Meeting:

- Implementation of Action Plans through Working Sessions of the CNG and LNG Task Forces
- Update on LNG Market for Transportation Uses
- Explore Cooperative Government/Industry Opportunities in Advanced Fueling Appliance Technologies
- Develop recommendations for new programs for FY2001
- Recommendations for new manufacturer and industry participants



Organization of NGV-IWG

- The NGV Industry Infrastructure Working Group was formed in November 1998 to identify technical obstacles to a self-sustaining NGV infrastructure and develop plans and programs to overcome them
- The IWG is composed of over 50 individuals from industry and government who have demonstrated a commitment to working on the ad hoc group and providing investment and in-kind resources to ensure its success



Objectives and Activities of the NGV-IWG

- Establish the NGV Infrastructure Technology
 Agenda for the industry, prioritize technical
 barriers and issues, and develop plans to address
 them
- Establish a business basis for NGV infrastructure that will examine required rates of return on investment in infrastructure and fueling station related technology
- Recommend to GRI and the DOE specific projects to be undertaken and goals for the projects based upon task force recommendations

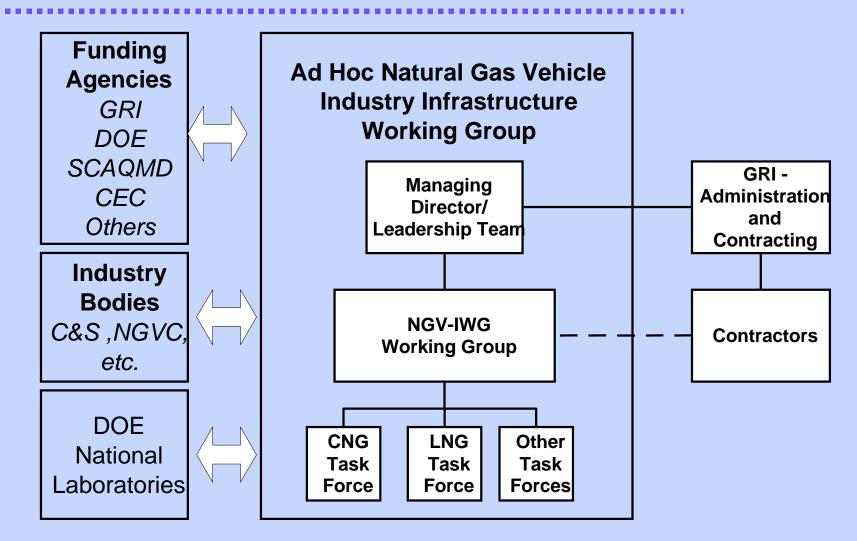


Objectives and Activities of the NGV-IWG (continued)

- Secure industry resources to be offered as matching contributions to GRI and DOE funding for projects
- Coordinate work on technical barriers with the NGV industry actions on business and government issues
- Promote dissemination of information on infrastructure technology



Structure of the NGV-IWG





Developing Process: Review and Assessment of Obstacles and Requests

- New technology obstacles, issues and requests should be brought to the attention of the Managing Director
 - Review and Assign to Task Force
 - Suggest New Task force if Needed
- Assessment by Task Force
 - Develop recommendations for disposition
 - Recommend for funding
 - Recommend further examination
 - Recommend referral to another body
 - Document recommendation (statement of work, letter of referral, etc.)



Developing Process:

Review and Assessment of Obstacles and Requests

Review and discussion by NGV-IWG

- Review and prioritize obstacles and requests
- Submit recommendation for disposition to Leadership Team with comments and suggestions
- Action by Leadership Team
 - Evaluate recommendations and priorities
 - Determine method of funding and contracting
 - Seek/assemble funding package
- Action by GRI
 - Finalize and Issue RFPs
 - Review proposals and select contractors
 - Issue and monitor contract



Roles and Responsibilities: *NGV-IWG Working Group*

- Review technology obstacles and industry issues
- Establish consensus on Task Force priorities and assignments
- Oversee and coordinate Task Force activities
- Review Task Force recommendations
- Recommend formation of new Task Forces
- Recruit Membership
- Compile and report on Task Force recommendations
- Serve to provide industry/government unity and consensus regarding the Program agenda and plan



Roles and Responsibilities: *Task Forces*

- Identify program specific activities
- Review requests and project requirements, specific to the Task Force charge
- Seek industry input on obstacles and requests
- Recommend actions and referrals
 - Recommend for funding
 - Recommend further examination
 - Recommend referral to another body
- Develop draft Statements of Work, Referral Letters, etc.
- Review and report progress



Roles and Responsibilities: Managing Director and the Leadership Team

- Provide organization and structure
- Establish membership
- Define and address technology obstacles and issues
- Direct Task Force review and recommendation process
- Organize new Task Forces as needed
- Compile and prioritize Task Force recommendations
- Seek and organize funding and cofunding
- Support the Program Solicitation and RFP process
- Recommend a review process and review criteria



Roles and Responsibilities: *GRI Administration and Contracting*

- Administration of NGV-IWG programs and activities
- Establish IWG web page within GRInet
- Issue and manage program solicitation and RFP process
- Manage selection process
- Issue contracts
- Manage contracts



Participation in the NGV-IWG Winter Meeting - March 2000

Utility/Fuel Distributor Fueling Equipment Manufacturer/Supplier GRI/SCAQMD/DOE/CEC/Funding Agencies	9 6 7		
		Consultants/University	14
		National Laboratories	8
Vehicle Manufacturer/Supplier	2		
Fleet Operator	2		
Industry Group/Coalitions	2		
Total	50		



1999 IWG Results

- The IWG developed and presented its first report to DOE and GRI in August of 1999 titled
 - Recommendations for Programs to Overcome Obstacles to a Sustainable NGV Fueling Infrastructure
- GRI, DOE and the Natural Gas Industry assembled a package of over \$ 6.085 million to fund the recommended infrastructure RD&D programs in FY2000



Recommended Programs and Projects

Three "Infrastructure Programs" are underway, consisting of fifteen projects

- LNG Infrastructure Program
 - 6 Projects
- CNG Infrastructure Program
 - 6 Projects
- Infrastructure Technical Strategy Program
 - 3 Projects



LNG Infrastructure Program

- Small-Scale Liquefaction Plant
- Low-cost LNG Fueling Station
- Cost-effective LNG Pump
- Standardized Nozzle and Receptacle for LNG Vehicle Fueling
- Breakaway for LNG Dispensing Hose
- Economical Odorant for LNG fuel



CNG Infrastructure Program

- Recommended Practices for CNG Fueling Station Design, Construction, and Operation
- CNG Fueling Station Bid Specification Handbook
- CNG Infrastructure Technology Exchange
- Electronic Access and Billing Network for CNG Fueling Stations
- Consistent Fuel Metering Methodology
- Enhanced CNG Fueling Nozzles to Avoid Freeze-Up



Infrastructure Technical Strategy Program

- Continued Operation and Administration of the NGV-IWG
- Leveraging an Integrated OHVT/OTU Infrastructure Program
- Economic and Strategic Assessment of NGV Infrastructure Development



Where the NGV-IWG Goes From Here . . .

- The Leadership Team and GRI have begun drafting final RFPs and procedures for submitting RFPs
- Upon completion of the contract with DOE, GRI and the Leadership Team will
 - Issue RFPs
 - Review proposals and select contractors
 - Issue and monitor contracts
- The NGV-IWG will work on developing a recommendation package for FY2001 to continue its objective of working to overcome obstacles to a sustainable NGV fueling infrastructure

